

## **Chapter 5.76**

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#### **5.76.010 License—Required.**

It is unlawful to engage in the business of private detective or investigator for a fee or reward unless such person is first licensed by the city.

#### **5.76.020 Exemptions.**

Nothing in these provisions shall be construed to require a license by any detective or investigator regularly employed by a firm or business to patrol the premises owned by such firm or business.

#### **5.76.030 License—Fee.**

The annual fee for such license shall be as specified in the consolidated fee schedule.

#### **5.76.040 License—Applicant eligibility.**

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and be licensed by the state department of public safety. No license shall issue to any person who has been convicted of a felony by the courts of this or any other state, or who has been convicted anywhere of any act which, if done in this state, would constitute an assault, theft, larceny, unlawful entry, extortion, buying or receiving stolen property, unlawful use or possession of weapons or burglar's tools, escape from lawful custody, or a crime involving moral turpitude. Every applicant shall file with the police department a recent photograph and shall permit his fingerprints to

be taken in order to assist the police department in its investigative function.

#### **5.76.050 License—Investigation of applications.**

Applications shall be referred by the license official to the police department, who shall make or cause to be made an investigation as to the applicant's experience and qualifications to engage in such business, and may interview the applicant. The police department's findings shall be referred by the license official to the manager, which shall approve or deny the application.

#### **5.76.060 License—Bond required.**

Applications shall be accompanied by a cash bond or irrevocable letter of credit in the amount specified in the consolidated fee schedule, and in a form acceptable to the city attorney, conditioned that the applicant, if issued a license hereunder, will comply fully with all city ordinances and other applicable laws, rules and regulations; and further, that applicant shall pay all damages occasioned by any person by reason of any misstatement, misrepresentation, fraud or deceit of the licensee, his agent, or employees.

#### **5.76.070 License—Display requirements.**

No license granted under these provisions shall be transferable, and every licensee shall, at all times where practical, carry on his person a card issued by the license official, certifying such person to be duly licensed to engage in the business of private detective.